STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: BUDGET PHONE, INC.	DOCKET NOS. TCU-04-17 TF-04-489
	CERTIFICATE NO. 0288

CERTIFICATE

(Issued December 30, 2004)

On November 15, 2004, Budget Phone, Inc. (Budget), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity, pursuant to Iowa Code § 476.29. Also on November 15, 2004, Budget filed a proposed local exchange tariff that contained the terms, conditions, and rates for local exchange service and listed the exchanges where Budget intended to provide service. Revisions to the proposed tariff were filed on December 15, 2004. The proposed tariff and revisions have been identified as TF-04-489.

An order approving the application and the proposed tariff, with revisions, is being issued concurrently with this certificate. Since Budget will have an approved tariff to provide local exchange service, the Board will issue Certificate No. 0288, authorizing Budget to provide local exchange service in the listed exchanges.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

This certificate of public convenience and necessity, issued pursuant to lowa Code § 476.29(1) (2003), authorizes Budget Phone, Inc., to furnish local telephone service in the exchanges as shown by its tariffs as currently and subsequently approved.

	UTILITIES BOARD
	/s/ Diane Munns
ATTEST:	/s/ Mark O. Lambert
/s/ Judi K. Cooper Executive Secretary	

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 30th day of December, 2004.